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For: **HYDRAULICALLY DRIVEN VEHICLE**

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is a Preliminary Amendment filed along with a Request for Continued Examination. Please further amend this patent application and favorably consider the applicant's remarks as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.